



Harris County Juvenile Probation Department

Henry Gonzales, Executive Director

Executive Monthly Activity Report – December, 2022

2022 Year End Summary Brief

In 2022, the department received 4,796 referrals, averaging 400 referrals per month, which involved 3,370 youth. An increase in referral activity was noted when compared to 2021 data (34%). Respectively, youth counts also increased by 41%. As displayed on page 2, a consistent increase is evident across referral types (Felonies, Misdemeanor A&B, and Violations of Probation). The differences stem primarily from total Misdemeanor A/B offenses (55.7%) and Violations of Probation (55.9%). Overall, Felony referrals have increased 9.9% as compared to 2021. The trends seen between years 2021-2022 are comparative to criminal behavior throughout Texas and the US post-pandemic. Throughout the 2022 year, as the coronavirus pandemic threat levels starts to decreases, referrals rose and we began to see numbers that were more comparative to crime statistics pre-pandemic (2019). Although we witnessed drastic increases in referral activity between 2020-2022, when delving deeper into a comparative analysis between 2019 (pre-pandemic) referral activity and 2022 (post-pandemic) referral activity, there was a 27% decrease.

As indicated on page 4, the number one ranking felony offense was Aggravated Robbery/Displaying Weapon/Serious Bodily Injury (253 referrals). In parallel, Assault- Causes Bodily Injury to Another (768 referrals), was the number one ranking misdemeanor offense. Both top 10 felony offenses and top 10 misdemeanor offenses contributed to more than half of all offenses of their respective category of severity.

The coronavirus pandemic continued to impact the court process, however, the courts were able to increase their dockets and as a result the probation dispositions increased by 9.3%, deferred adjudications by 15.8%, and TJJD commitments by 60%. There were significant changes in the number of certifications in 2022 when compared to 2021 – eleven more youth were certified in 2022. It should be noted that nine of the youth certified in 2022 were older than HCJPD age of jurisdiction at the time of certification.

Youth placed in Harris County Juvenile post-adjudicated facilities declined by 13.2% since 2021, yet more notably since 2019 (-33.2%). In addition, only a 5% increase was seen as in private placements since 2019.

Between 2020 and 2021, the department made efforts to reduce the Detention and facility populations. This is evident in the 31.4% drop of youth admitted to the Detention Center. However, as the pandemic started to alleviate within the county, by the end of the 2022 year, we saw a 28% increase in our Detention Center admittances since the end 2021.



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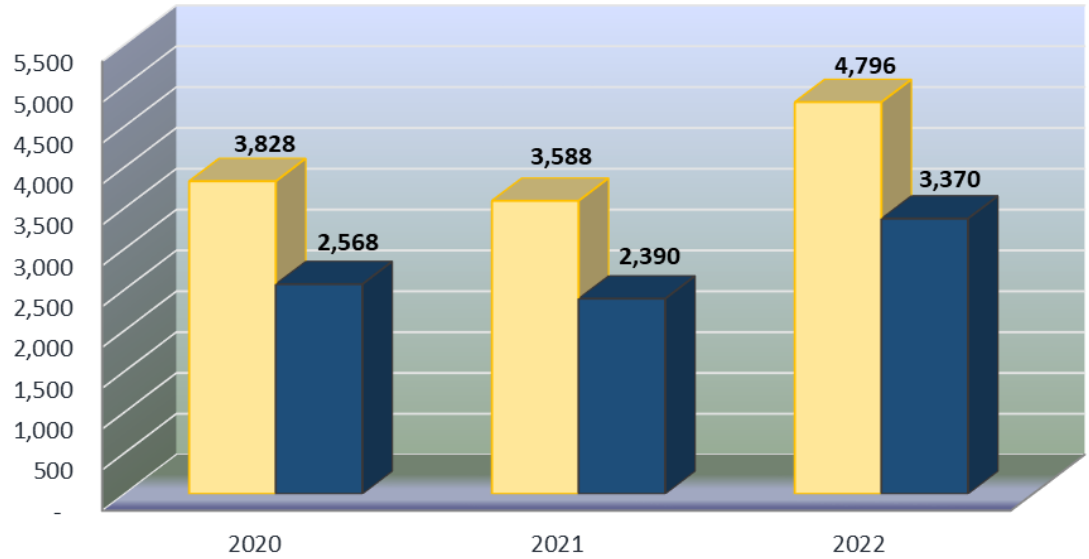
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2022 Referrals	
January	366
February	347
March	405
April	454
May	484
June	341
July	275
August	366
September	420
October	488
November	424
December	426
TOTAL	4,796
AVERAGE	400
YOUTH	3,370

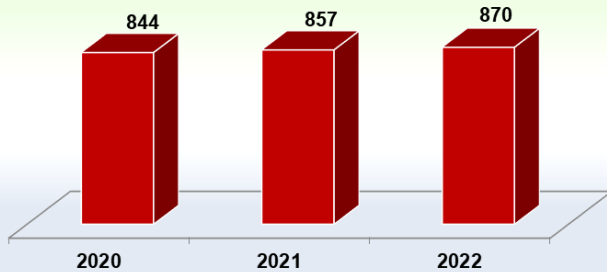
Criminal and Violation of Probation Referrals and Youth January-December 2020-2022



Type of Charge Based on Crime Category

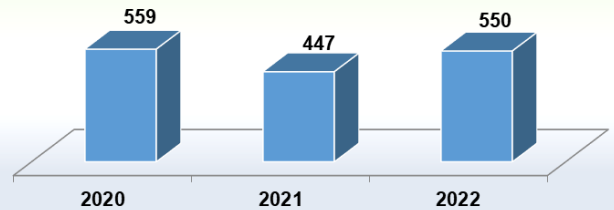
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	% TOTAL
Person (Felony)*	76	87	73	88	84	75	48	67	74	78	64	56	870	18.1%
Person (Misdemeanor)	62	76	89	132	137	43	44	55	105	147	105	108	1103	23.0%
Property (Felony)*	51	34	53	39	51	48	49	34	47	46	48	50	550	11.5%
Property (Misdemeanor)	46	21	39	31	40	42	29	29	33	45	44	57	456	9.5%
Illegal Substance	9	9	22	20	10	3	6	6	12	10	6	16	129	2.7%
All Others	86	100	100	129	145	109	77	129	128	139	138	118	1398	29.1%
Violations of Probation (VOP)- Technical	36	20	29	15	17	21	22	46	21	23	19	21	290	6.0%
TOTAL	366	347	405	454	484	341	275	366	420	488	424	426	4796	100.0%

Felony Crimes Against Persons* January-December 2020-2022



*Murder, Robbery, Assault, and Sexual Assault

Felony Crimes Against Property* January-December 2020-2022



*Arson, Burglary, Theft, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, and Mischief



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Offense Charge per Referral

Referral Type by Race & Gender	Black		Hispanic		White		Other		Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	2021	2022	% Change
Felonies											
Arson	4	2	1	11	0	2	0	0	25	20	-20.0%
Assault - Felony	72	119	35	120	12	28	0	5	313	391	24.9%
Auto Theft	0	16	1	17	0	3	0	0	28	37	32.1%
Burglary	2	56	4	54	2	8	0	1	98	127	29.6%
Drugs - Felony	3	10	17	49	2	6	0	0	71	87	22.5%
Evade/Resisting Arrest Felony	5	84	6	87	0	3	0	0	186	185	-0.5%
Homicide	1	11	0	8	0	1	0	3	21	24	14.3%
Mischief/Felony	2	20	1	16	0	2	0	0	31	41	32.3%
Other	8	85	16	73	1	19	0	4	166	206	24.1%
Other Personal	4	18	7	16	0	7	0	0	31	52	67.7%
Robbery	9	199	14	92	3	8	0	1	419	326	-22.2%
Sexual Assault	1	26	1	35	0	14	0	0	73	77	5.5%
Theft - Felony	1	75	0	26	1	11	0	0	70	114	62.9%
Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	16	107	8	71	3	6	0	0	195	211	8.2%
Sub-Total	128	828	111	675	24	118	0	14	1727	1898	9.9%
Misdemeanor A & B											
Assault	230	364	134	249	43	68	2	13	573	1103	92.5%
Drugs	1	4	6	19	0	5	0	0	40	35	-12.5%
DWI - MA/MB	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	5	7	40.0%
Evade/Resisting Arrest	34	195	18	115	3	18	0	1	298	384	28.9%
Mischief	23	40	1	20	2	7	0	0	65	93	43.1%
Other	34	260	36	252	10	26	1	4	433	623	43.9%
Theft	24	78	22	68	5	20	2	0	164	219	33.5%
Trespass - MA/MB	13	65	13	43	3	6	0	1	97	144	48.5%
Sub-Total	359	1006	231	772	66	150	5	19	1675	2608	55.7%
Violations of Probation											
Violation of Probation-Technical	16	54	8	29	0	2	0	1	79	110	39.2%
Violation of Probation -Other Jurisdiction	7	106	4	60	1	2	0	0	107	180	68.2%
Sub-Total	23	160	12	89	1	4	0	1	186	290	55.9%
GRAND TOTAL	510	1994	354	1536	91	272	5	34	3588	4796	33.7%



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Top 10 Felony and Misdemeanor Offenses: January-December 2022*

RANK	Top 10 Felony Offenses	Jan-Dec 2022	% of Total Felonies
1	AGGRAVATED ROBBERY/DISPLAYING WEAPON/SERIOUS BODILY INJURY	253	13.3%
2	UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE	211	11.1%
3	EVADING ARREST DETENTION W/VEHICLE	163	8.6%
4	ASSAULT PUBLIC SERVANT	118	6.2%
5	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-USES DEADLY WEAPON	102	5.4%
6	ROBBERY/CAUSES BODILY INJURY/THREATS BOD.INJURY/DEATH	70	3.7%
7	BURGLARY OF A BUILDING	68	3.6%
8	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT OF A FAMILY MEMBER	67	3.5%
9	BURGLARY OF HABITATION	56	3.0%
10	THEFT PROPERTY >= \$2,500 < \$30,000	49	2.6%
TOTAL		1157	60.9%

RANK	Top 10 Misdemeanor Offenses	Jan-Dec 2022	% of Total Felonies
1	ASSAULT - CAUSES BODILY INJURY TO ANOTHER	768	29.4%
2	EVADING ARREST DETENTION	319	12.2%
3	ASSAULT-FAMILY MEMBER	284	10.9%
4	UNL CARRYING WEAPON - HANDGUN	227	8.7%
5	TERRORISTIC THREAT - GENERAL	135	5.2%
6	CRIMINAL TRESPASS	118	4.5%
7	THEFT AND CONTROL OF PROPERTY - \$100 - \$750	90	3.5%
8	RESISTING ARREST OR SEARCH - GENERAL	64	2.5%
9	BURGLARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE	57	2.2%
10	TERRORISTIC THREAT	54	2.1%
TOTAL		2116	81.1%

*Top 10 Felony and Misdemeanor Offenses are based on the current year and subject to change in the reporting month.

Personal charges and Property charges are differentiated by color on the above tables



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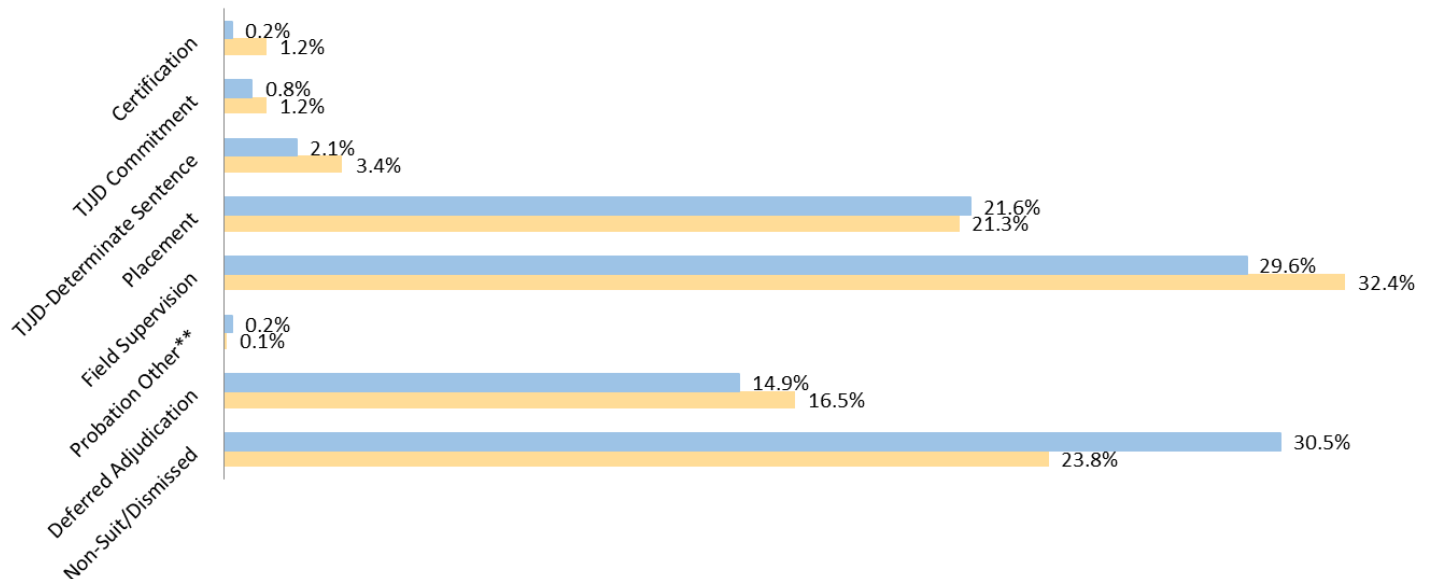
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Court Activity* January-December 2022

YOUTH COURT DECISIONS	Black		Hispanic		White		Other		2022	2022	2021
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Decision	YOUTH	Youth
Certification	0	7	0	7	0	2	0	0	25	16	5
TJJD Commitment	2	6	0	8	0	0	0	0	25	16	10
TJJD-Determinate Sentence	0	27	1	16	0	0	0	0	94	44	26
Probation	44	307	32	268	4	28	2	5	985	690	631
Placement	16	150	8	89	0	6	2	2	453	273	265
Field Supervision	28	156	24	179	4	22	0	3	531	416	363
Probation Other	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Deferred Adjudication	23	77	14	77	5	14	0	2	219	212	183
Non-Suit/Dismissed	21	152	15	97	3	18	0	0	659	306	375
TOTAL	90	576	62	473	12	62	2	7	2007	1284	1230

*Youth may be counted multiple times if received multiple decisions within the noted time period.

Disposition Comparison of Youth* January-December 2021 / 2022





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Certifications

Disposition Year	Court			Youth Total	Petition Total
	313	314	315		
Jan-Dec 2022	2 / 2*	4 / 3*	1 / 4*	16	26
2021	1	1	1*	3	4
2020	2	1	2*	5	9
2019	1	1*	1 / 2*	5	7
2018	8	5	3	16	25

**Youth were older than HCJPD age of jurisdiction at the time of certification, even though the offense(s) were committed at younger ages.*



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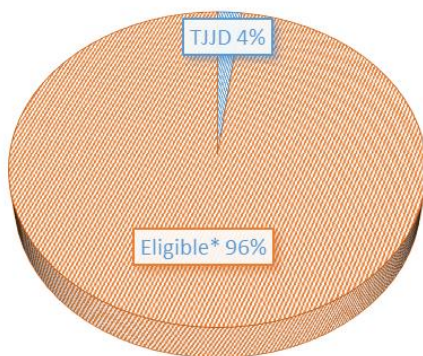
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TJJD Eligible Dispositions by Court

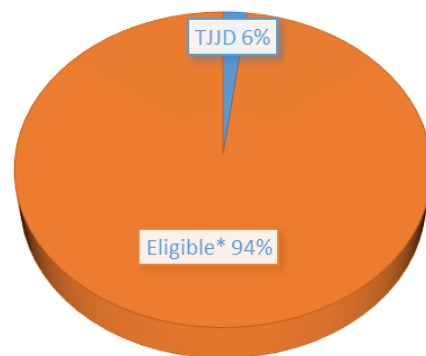
Disposition Year	Disposition	313th Youth	314th Youth	315th Youth	TOTALS Youth
Jan-Dec 2022	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	23	26	11	60
	Other Dispositions**	306	269	318	893
2021	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	6	18	9	33
	Other Dispositions**	236	277	332	845
2020	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	11	10	4	25
	Other Dispositions**	275	334	324	933
2019	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	44	11	7	62
	Other Dispositions**	443	520	588	1551
2018	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	63	63	23	149
	Other Dispositions**	586	564	612	1762

*Other dispositions include: certification, placement in a county facility, field probation, deferred, and non-suit (dismissed).

TJJD Commitments vs. Eligible (Youth)
January-December 2021



TJJD Commitments vs. Eligible (Youth)
January-December 2022



*Eligible: Youth with an eligible offense who were not committed to TJJD.



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<i>Youth Admitted to Facilities*</i>			
Facilities	Year Ending		Jan-Dec
	2020	2021	2022
Leadership Academy	184	141	134
MEZZO	48	105	92
Quest	17	36	42
Former Programs	119	0	0
Youth Village	103	93	131
Girls Intense Trauma	27	15	0
Boys Intense Trauma	38	36	0
Girls Program	0	6	21
Boys Program	0	34	110
Youth Village Transition	0	2	0
Former Programs	38	0	0
County Post-Adjudication Subtotal	287	234	265
Private Placements	34	17	19
Amikids Rio Grande Valley	2	2	0
Center for Success	2	0	2
Grayson County RTC	1	3	4
Lubbock JJC (Specialized)	0	0	1
Mingus Mountain Estate	1	0	0
Mountain Home Academy	1	0	0
Pegasus Schools, Inc.	1	6	6
Refuge RTC	3	0	0
Victoria County JJC	0	3	2
Woodward Academy	23	3	4
Post-Adjudication Total	321	251	284

<i>Pre-adjudicated Youth*</i>			
Detention Center	1598	1000	1280
Harris County Psychiatric	91	81	83

*Youth admitted is a count of individual youth, not the number of admits each may have had at that particular facility. If a youth was admitted at two different facilities he was counted once at each facility. If a youth was admitted at the same facility for different charges, he/she was counted for the different admissions.



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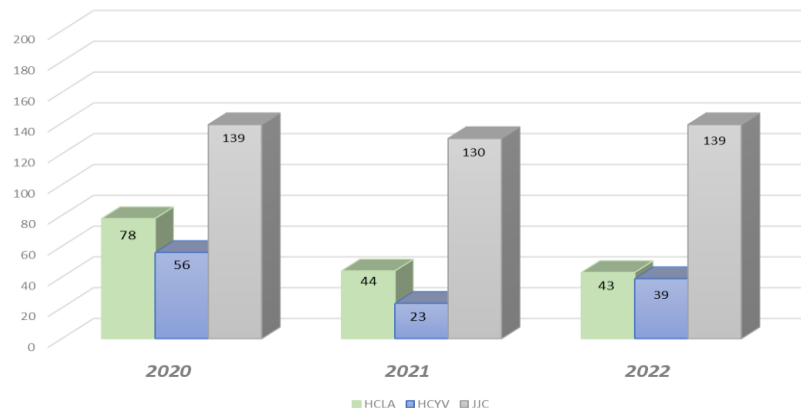
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Average Daily Population - County Facilities*

2022 County Facilities (available beds)	Current Year January - December				Current Month December			
	Black	Hispanic	White	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Total
Post - Adjudicated Facilities								
Leadership Academy (96)	25	14	0	39	30	12	1	43
MEZZO	13	8	0	21	17	7	0	24
Quest	12	6	0	18	13	5	1	19
Harris County Youth Village (128)	21	10	1	32	27	11	1	39
Girls Program	3	2	0	5	4	3	0	7
Boys Program	18	8	1	27	23	8	1	32
Harris County Psychiatric Center - Post	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pre - Adjudicated Facilities								
Detention Center (250)	83	58	5	146	78	58	3	139
Detention Unit	74	48	4	126	65	52	2	119
Detention Assessment Unit	4	3	0	7	6	1	0	7
Harris County Psychiatric Center - Pre	5	7	1	13	7	5	1	13

County Facilities, Average Daily Population
2020 - 2022



*JJC includes: Detention Unit, Detention Assessment Unit, and Harris County Psychiatric Center-Pre.

*Detention Unit Current Average Length of Stay 31.92 days

Average Daily Population - Private Facilities*

2022 Private Placement	Current Year January - December				Current Month December			
	Black	Hispanic	White	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Total
Center for Success & Independence	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grayson County RTC	1	2	0	3	0	1	0	1
Lubbock JJC (Specialized)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Pegasus Schools, Inc.	1	4	0	5	1	4	0	5
Victoria County JJC	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Woodward Academy	2	1	0	3	0	1	0	1

*Average daily population (ADP) has been reconfigured to better align with national definitions. Individual youth may be represented at more than one facility.



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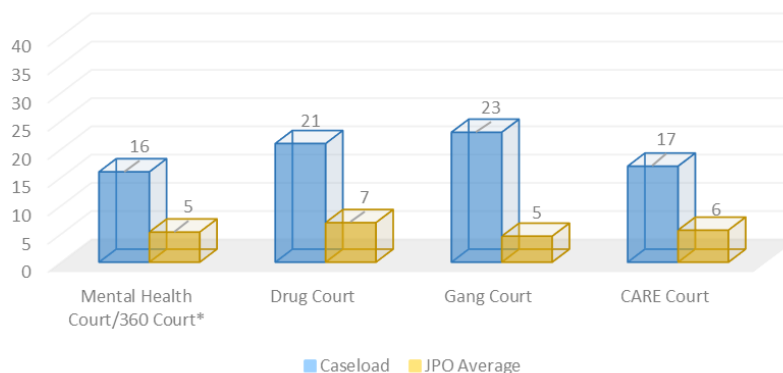
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Supervision Activity*

2022	Current Month	
Type of Probation Service	December	JPO Avg
Community Supervision	615	20
Deferred Adjudication	126	
Community Diversion	304	30
Specialized Supervision	307	
Mental Health	55	14
Deferred Adjudication	1	
Sex Offender	43	11
Deferred Adjudication	5	
RISE Program	61	9
YESS Program	118	12
Deferred Adjudication	1	
Dual Status Unit	30	9
Deferred Adjudication	3	
Deferred & Intervention Unit	164	28
FIRST Program	131	
Diversion 180	11	
Diversion Under 12	0	
180-Day (Third Ward)	4	
180-Day (Fifth Ward)	2	
RTC Diversion	16	
Resource for Children & Adult	346	
Second Chance	263	66
Second Chance Under 12	0	
Second Chance - YSC	83	21
Total	1736	

*Youth caseload is based on a daily caseload average for the time period shown. JPO caseload average is calculated using the last JPO of record.

Specialized Court Activity for December 2022



**Specialized Court Activity represents average youth count for the time period shown.



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Diversion Programs 2022										
Diversion Programs	January - December					December				
	Black	Hispanic	White	Other	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Other	Total
Diversion 180	342	309	51	5	707	22	26	2	0	50
Diversion Under 12	9	2	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
FIRST Deferred Prosecution	90	105	19	4	218	12	12	1	0	25
RTC Diversion	14	10	8	0	32	1	1	1	0	3
180-Day (Third Ward)	28	1	0	0	29	2	0	0	0	2
180-Day (Fifth Ward)	8	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Second Chance Deferred Prosecution	378	298	58	8	742	73	60	13	4	150
Second Chance Under 12	8	11	4	1	24	1	0	0	1	2
Total	877	737	140	18	1772	111	99	17	5	232

Marijuana Diversionary Completions (No Arrest, No Petition)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Assigned	53	60	127	64	75	68	81	77	55	45	52	62	819
Completed	33	35	92	30	55	41	52	53	41	30	32	43	537



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*Dual Supervision Status**

Status*	Current Year January - December 2022	Current Month December 2022
	Average Youth	Youth
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Pending Court	12	10
Probation - Field Supervision	13	12
Probation - CJPO Custody	3	0
Out of County Supervision	2	5
Indirect	0	2
TOTAL	30	29
CJPO CUSTODY / DFPS CONSERVATORSHIP- FACILITY TYPE		
County Facility - Detention	8	4
County Facility (Post-adjudication)	2	0
Private Facility (Post-adjudication)	0	0
TOTAL	11	4

*Dual Supervision are youth involved with both Harris County Juvenile Probation Department (HCJPD) and the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS). Youth Count is based on a youth having an active supervision at the end of the reporting month. **If a youth has more than one supervision type, only the adjudicated supervision is reported.